

## THEY WILL STILL LIVE!

## BISHOP MAES PRONOUNCES AGAINST CERTAIN SECRET SOCIETIES.

Bishop Maes of the Diocese of Covington publishes his promulgation of the Pope's decree, placing under the ban of the Catholic Church the Oddfellows, Knights of Pythias and Sons of Temperance.

Only those who are members of these Orders are qualified to judge of the entire groundlessness of the charges made against their teachings.

But, in spite of the Pope's decree and the Bishop's pronouncement, the benevolent Orders will continue to do business at the old stand.

The most important portions of the edict follow:

One of the most striking characteristics of our times is the universal tendency to band together in societies for the promotion of all sorts of purposes. This tendency is the natural outgrowth of an age of popular rights and representative institutions. It is also in accordance with the spirit of the Church, whose aim, as indicated by the name Catholic, is to unite all mankind in brotherhood. It is consonant also with the Spirit of Christ, who came to break down all walls of division, and to gather all in the one family of the one Heavenly Father.

"But there are few good things that have not their counterfeiters, and few tendencies that have not their dangers."

"Hence, it is the evident duty of every reasonable man, before allowing himself to be drawn into any society, to make sure that both its ends and its means are consistent with truth, justice and conscience."

"In making such a decision every Catholic ought to be convinced that his surest guide is the Church of Christ. She has in her custody the sacred deposit of Christian faith and morals, she has the experience of all ages and all Nations, she has at heart the true welfare of mankind; she has the perpetual guidance of the Holy Ghost in her authoritative decisions, in her teachings and her warnings. Therefore, we are sure to hear the voice of wisdom, prudence, justice and charity. From the hill top of her divine mission and her world-wide experience, she sees events and their consequences far more clearly than they who are down in the tangled plain of daily life. She has seen associations that were once praiseworthy become pernicious by change of circumstances."

"She has seen others, which won the admiration of the world by their early achievements, corrupted by power or passion or evil guidance, and she has been forced—because she is the infallible guide of truth and the incorruptible upholder of justice—to condemn them. She has shed her anathema on their organizations in the spirit of ages of faith, transformed by lapse of time, by loss of faith and by manipulation of designing leaders into open or hidden enemies of religion and human well-being. Thus our Holy Father Leo XIII. has declared that the Masons and kindred societies, although the offspring of the ancient guilds, which aimed at sanctifying trades and tradesmen with the blessings of religion; and although retaining, perhaps, in their ritual, that tells of the religiousness of their origin; and although in some countries still professing entire friendliness toward the Christian religion—has already gone so far, in many countries, as to array the Church against them, as enemies of Christianity and against the Catholic Church as its embodiment, that they virtually aim at substituting a world-wide fraternity of their own for the universal brotherhood of Jesus Christ, and at disseminating more naturalism than the supernatural revealed religion bestowed upon mankind by the Savior of the world. She has shown, too, that even in countries where they are as yet far from acknowledging their purposes, they nevertheless have in the terms, which, under favorable circumstances, would inevitably blossom forth in similar results. The Church consequently forbids her children to have any connection with such societies, because they are either an open evil to be shunned or a hidden danger to be avoided. She would fail in her duty if she did not speak the word of warning, and her children would equally fail in theirs if they did not heed it." (Pastoral Letter, Plenary Council of Baltimore.)

Do not these words, dearly beloved, sound as if they were written for the present occasion, to bring to your notice a most important decree of our Holy Father Leo XIII., condemning three well known societies? And yet these lines were penned more than ten years ago and addressed by all the Archbishops and Bishops of the United States to their flock on the memorable occasion of the promulgation of the Third Plenary Council of Baltimore.

The Church is always the same; she is ever consistent in her teachings; she is ever true to her mission, and if at times she is slow to condemn, it is because she is slow to enlighten, never without weighty and well weighed reasons, and because she disposes of God's own time, "even to the consummation of the world." (Matt. xxviii., 20.)

In the fulfillment of her divine mission the Church has been ever ready to receive the stamp of her disapproval upon the secret societies of Oddfellows, Sons of Temperance and Knights of Pythias, and all Catholics are hereby forbidden to join them or, if they already became members, to remain so.

"Whenever the Church has spoken au-

thoritatively with regard to any society, her decision ought to be final for every Catholic. He ought to know that the Church has not acted hastily, nor unwisely, nor mistakenly; he should be convinced that any society which he might derive from membership in such society, would be a poor substitute for the membership, the sacraments and the blessing of the Church of Christ, he should have the courage of his religious convictions and stand firm to the end and conscience." (Pastoral Letter of the Third Plenary Council of Baltimore.)

We therefore call upon all Catholics under our jurisdiction who have joined any of the three above mentioned secret societies to resign membership in the same. We order the Priests of the Diocese to exercise their utmost zeal and prudence to procure from those whom the decree of the Holy See affects a loyal obedience, and their prompt retirement from the ranks of Oddfellows, Sons of Temperance and Knights of Pythias, and to admonish them that if they fail to sever all connection with these societies, already named, to put under the ban of the Church, Act, therefore, as reasonable Catholics and men, and do not join any society until you are thoroughly satisfied as to its lawful character. \* \* \*

These are the laws of the Church, the justice of which must be manifest to all impartial minds, which every Bishop of the country promulgated as beyond cavil in 1884, and which we call upon you, beloved people, to respect and to obey today.

Wait! the supreme authority of the Catholic religion, studiously, patiently and wholly investigated these societies, she allowed those who desired to join them to do so with the distinct understanding of the three above mentioned societies bound to agree, that they would leave them as soon as ordered to do so by the competent ecclesiastical authority. The word has now been spoken by the authority which Jesus Christ himself established forever in matters of faith and morals. He ye now as good as your word, do not go back on your honest promises, and give public testimony of your faith by ready assent and prompt obedience. This striking proof of the power of the Church over your will and hearts will be an honor to yourselves, and will convince all non-Catholic citizens of the fact that it is "God who has given such downer to men" (Matt. ix., 8, vi.). That a Church which commands such obedience and love is the best bulwark which civil society can look up to for the preservation of order and law, justice and morality.

This pastoral letter shall be read at the principal mass, and a synod of it with the reading of the decree itself given at all other masses, in every Church of the Diocese of Covington on the Sunday following its reception, and in the missions as soon thereafter as practicable.

Given at our residence, Covington, Ky., this 8th day of January, in the year of our Lord, 1895.

Owensboro now claims a population of 17,000.

## Don't Stop Tobacco-Habit to Cure Yourself While Young.

The tobacco habit grows on a man until his nervous system is seriously affected, impairing his health, comfort and happiness. To quit suddenly is too severe a shock to the system, as tobacco, to an inveterate user, becomes a stimulant that his system cannot do without. It is a scientific cure for the tobacco habit, in all its forms, carefully compounded and cured without the use of any drugs. A physician who has used it in his private practice since 1872, without a failure, purely vegetable and non-narcotic. It is a scientific cure for the tobacco habit, in all its forms, carefully compounded and cured without the use of any drugs. A physician who has used it in his private practice since 1872, without a failure, purely vegetable and non-narcotic. It is a scientific cure for the tobacco habit, in all its forms, carefully compounded and cured without the use of any drugs. A physician who has used it in his private practice since 1872, without a failure, purely vegetable and non-narcotic.

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## MAKE TRAVEL FREE!

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The Fleming News emits this scintillation:

"Free Turnpikes" is certainly a misnomer for roads that are to be kept up by taxation."

Then how about Free Schools? A misnomer, probably.

Everybody is "catching on" save and except Major General Alfred of His Shadow, who edits The Bull in the Pen.

This is from The Richmond Patriarch:

"The free turnpike idea grows. Madison county should not get behind in this matter when the general state is made throughout the state."

The last impression of The Carlisle Express contained this:

"A tollgate keeper named Cox of Mason county writes eloquently against free turnpikes. Why not?"

Yes; it is just as natural for a salaried tollgatekeeper to insist on making every traveler "stand and deliver," as it is for a cat to suck the teat that lets down the milk. Besides, the tollgate keeper to whom The Mercury refers has been a great traveler himself; he knows how things are done in states that are "up to date" in progress, and he wants Kentucky to remain wedded to her idols of old foginess."

THE LEADER wants every neighborhood to have good roads, and it wants to make the burden equal on all the people.

One way to accomplish this is to acquire the roads by purchase, place them in charge of a non-partisan commission, and levy a small per cent. on the county assessment to maintain them.

But the most logical and the most equitable and as we believe the most economical way to accomplish the purpose is to ascertain from the owners the average yearly receipts of the gates within this county on all roads and to pay an equivalent to the tolls now received from a fund to be provided by equal taxation for that purpose.

This would leave the roads in the hands of present owners; They would be required to maintain them as now; They would be rid of the expense of the gatekeepers and tollhouses; And their income from tolls would be just what it now is.

In case of the dividend-paying roads, the dividend paid on the county's stock would lessen the public burden by that much.

But THE LEADER now wants all the people to alter the plan that it will not accept any other, if a better one can be devised.

For nearly fifty years all the people have been taxed for the benefit of only a part of the people;

THE LEADER now wants all the people taxed for the benefit of all the people.

Let "Free Travel" be the watchword in the next campaign in Mason county.

In the midst of life we are in debt. If you owe THE LEADER anything we'll be pleased to trade our best anything for cash.

The attachment suit brought against Colonel W. S. Barnes, the well known Lexingtonian, has been dropped, and his property released of the garnishes. Colonel Barnes proved that the claims had been settled years ago, and that Captain M. C. Gray, for whose heirs the suit was brought, had acknowledged receipts in full for the alleged indebtedness.

## THE NEW OFFICERS.

Who Will Manage the Great Germantown Fair This Year.

The newly elected officers of the Union Agricultural Society are— President—T. J. Taylor. First Vice-President—L. M. Maun. Second Vice-President—N. T. Lloyd. Third Vice-President—E. D. Dickrell. Secretary—J. A. Walton. Treasurer—W. F. Dickson. Superintendent of Grounds—J. F. Walton. Marshal—Sam France. Mason County Directors—J. F. Walton, D. A. French, Charles Carver, William F. Snook, James N. Kirk, Isaac Woodward, John Boulton, James Malloy. Broken County Directors—Y. Alexander, W. R. Critchfield, G. T. Reynolds, James W. Steen, J. A. Walton, W. A. Tinsler, T. A. Robertson.

Mrs. John C. Smith is somewhat improved this morning.

Bodford King stole some fancy chickens at Middleborough and got two years in the pen.

Mr. Fred Arn, Superintendent of the Mason County Cemetery, is suffering in with his hands, which were badly frozen while digging the grave of the late Colonel Frank S. Owens.

Samuel Hooser, a Barren county merchant, has been held in \$400 to answer for stealing skins from his wife's pretty cousin. Served him right for "stealing" them. Why didn't he walk up to the trough like a man and—take 'em?

Walter Skinner and Howard Blythe, the youths who were arrested by Chief of Police Ort charged with stealing pig from the H. E. Pughman residence, were taken before Judge Miller yesterday, where they pleaded guilty. They were held in the sum of \$50. The boys were taken before Judge Hutchins later in the day and each was given a sentence of six months' jail.

Miss Warner of the Cincinnati School of Expression, who is to deliver a lecture under the auspices of the Haywood Physical Culture Club on the subject of "Physical Culture and Artistic Dress," recently gave one of her charming parlor talks at the palatial residence of Mrs. A. H. McDonald of Clinton. Her lecture in Mayville will be given at the Y. M. C. A. Hall at 3 p. m. January 31st.

Dr. J. W. Gaines of Orangeburg was in "Squire Bramm's" Court yesterday charged with failing to register births and deaths. The accused pleaded guilty and was fined \$1 and costs. Dr. Gaines was also called upon to answer to the charge of failing to register in the County Clerk's office before practicing medicine. On motion of the Prosecuting Attorney this case was dismissed, the accused paying the costs of the Court.

## MAYSVILLE WEATHER.

What We May Expect For The Next Twenty-four Hours.

THE LEADER'S WEATHER SIGNALS.

White streamer—FAIR.

Blue—RAIN OF SNOW.

With black above—TWIL WARMER.

If black's beneath—COLDER! will.

Unless black's shown—no change we'll see.

The weather forecasts are made for a period of thirty-six hours, ending at 6 o'clock or more evening.

Mrs. C. W. Bierley, who has been seriously ill, is improving.

James Galbraith of Germantown and Miss Rose Linn of Bridgeville married at Cincinnati.

Miss Mattie Sapp of this city was one of the attendees at the Crabby-Pardon nuptials at Eagle Creek Church a few days ago.

For next season a large hotel will probably be built at Carter Caves, to be reached by electric cars from the present line of the C. and O.

The merchants of some Ohio towns have been "scouted" by a lot of frauds who pretend to have an agency for the collection of bad debts.

Rev. R. H. Dodson, formerly of Dover, and brother-in-law of Mr. John W. Clinger of this city, is now Pastor of the Johnsville Christian Church.

Russell is to have the C. and O. Corvington shops. The C. and O. already has several miles of siding at that place, and large extensions are being made.

Elbridge W. Sutton of Brown county, O., and Mrs. Julia M. Ryan of this county were married Thursday by the Rev. Father A. T. Egan of this city.

Dave Cooley a brakeman on the L. and N. was knocked off a bridge and killed near Paris some time ago, and his father sues the company for \$5,000 damages.

The weather yesterday afternoon was much finer for ducks than it was for the successful operation of trolley cars. Between the sheet on the rails and the sheet on the wires the majority of passengers had to walk.

The tonnage men of the Norton Iron Works, Ashland, including heaters, rollers and rollers and rollers, to the number of 100, have agreed to accept a reduction of 30 per cent. and the plant is expected to resume at once.

Uncle A. Dud Tolle will observe his 75th birthday tomorrow by having a number of devoted friends dine with him off a 35-pound turkey. Mr. and Mrs. Tolle are among the oldest citizens in their locality, and it has long been their custom to collect their friends on these anniversaries.

If something is not done to suppress the Vanceburg correspondent of the city dailies, it will soon be necessary to discredit everything one reads from that source. Newspaper reporters and correspondents, however they may try to get real facts, are frequently imposed upon and often commit errors; but it is undesirable for any one to manufacture sensations out of whole cloth. And the newspaper that encourages it as much to blame as the person who furnishes the fiction.

Fred Winter was the next to feel Jones's axe. In one week he was reinstated, but promptly resigned to accept a position as commercial traveler for the Padan Shoe Factory.

Jones's closest friends, it is rumored, are asking him to resign, as his blunders, they allege, are putting his party and personal friends in very bad odor with the public.



## LARGEST IN THE CITY.

## Purely Business!

The columns of a newspaper represent a cash value. No publisher can afford to give advertising "nothing" free any more than a merchant can afford to give his customer free goods or shoes. A newspaper is an indispensable business concern. Its columns are its stock in trade, and advertisements should be paid for, no matter in what part of the paper they appear.

## The Continued Calls

upon THE LEADER for free notices have become so burdensome that we are forced to publish the following notice:

## For Notices of Shoppers.

Excursions, fairs, or other public entertainments where a fee is charged, and for ordinary notices, resolutions of respect, etc., THE LEADER will charge FIVE CENTS A LINE, and hereafter this will be the invariable rule. This, however.

## Does Not Include

notices of Lodge meetings or Church services, which must not exceed ten lines.

## Avoidance of Disputes.

Misunderstandings are unpleasant. The rate for Business Notice in THE LEADER is 10 cents a line for the first insertion and 5 cents a line for subsequent insertions. A customer orders a five-line local insertion. The paper, "I'll tell you when to take it out," he says to the bookkeeper. But he forgets all about it. The notice runs for two months—32 insertions—costs him \$16.25. When he finds it out there is a "void" and a controversy followed by a suit. The notice should have been accepted hereafter. Let's have a definite agreement at the outset and the termination will be pleasant all around.

All matter for publication must be handed in before 9 o'clock in the morning of each day.



If you have friends visiting you, or if you are going away on a visit, please drop us a note to that effect.

N. D. H. Hughes of Wallingford was in the city yesterday.

We respectfully invite comparison of THE LEADER with any other daily newspaper in North-eastern Kentucky.

If any one can find a daily paper published in the Ninth Congressional District that has

A Larger Circulation, or More

Original Reading Matter,

we will take pleasure in presenting him with a year's subscription to THE LEADER.

Hon. Frank Power is now Town Judge of Grayson.

The assessment of property at Carlisle this year is a little over \$600,000.

The Central Hotel at Winchester has been sold to St. Louis parties for \$40,800.

Colonel H. Matt Stitt of Carlisle is being boomed for the Legislature. It beats hell.

Mr. Joseph Cheesman of Aberdeen has charge of the books at the Mayville Shoe Factory.

Dr. W. D. Howe of Carlisle sold his racing mare Whirligig at the Chicago horse sales for \$1,110.

It has been decided to use the proceeds of the Lexington Exposition toward erecting a music hall.

For failure to produce vaccination certificates, 2,917 children have been dismissed from the public schools of Philadelphia.

Mr. Hugh B. Nesbitt, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Y. Nesbitt of this city, is now the Washington correspondent of The Pittsburgh Press.

The K. of P.'s at Elwood, Ind., have expelled all saloon-keepers from membership, in accordance with the decree of the Supreme Lodge.

Captain J. B. Lawwell, a former resident of Mayville, it is said, was fatally injured in a runaway accident Wednesday at Washington C. H., O.

At Portsmouth Frank Polly was convicted of burglary. He is the sixth brother who has been sent to the penitentiary for a like offense in the last year. His father is serving a similar sentence. There will be a family reunion when Frank is landed.

Representative Beckner will introduce in the House a bill to equalize the grants of public lands for school purposes. The bill proposes to distribute among the older states about 27,000,000 acres for the public schools. Kentucky's share would be 1,300,793 acres.







